GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Ragging in Medical Colleges
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government has taken note of rising incidences of ragging in medical colleges across the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the number of cases of ragging and death of students caused thereby reported in the medical colleges in the country along with the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon during each of the last three years, college-wise;

(c) whether the Government has framed any regulations to curb the menace of ragging in medical colleges; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government for their strict enforcement?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) & (b): Number of cases reported/received by Medical Council of India (MCI) for ragging during the last three years is as under:-
(i) 2013-14 - 23
(ii) 2014-15 - 21
(iii) 2015- 16 - 14
Two cases of deaths have also been reported.

(c): The MCI, with the approval of Central Government, notified the Medical Council of India (Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges/Institutions) Regulations, 2009 to curb the menace of ragging in medical colleges.

(d): Action taken by MCI with regard to ragging:-
I. The MCI has created an anti-ragging Cell headed by a Nodal Officer to look after the work relating to anti-ragging cases.

II. The Executive Committee members are deputed to enquire into the cases of ragging in different medical colleges in India.

III. MCI, vide circular dated 09/9/2015, has requested all the medical colleges to provide information before starting the fresh batch (2015-16) of admissions, w.r.t. anti-ragging committee composition, number of incidences of ragging reported and action taken, number of FIRs lodged and punishments awarded. Also, to include specific information on anti-ragging in admission brochures / prospectus / booklets.

IV. MCI has also forwarded the format of the Poster and hoardings provided by the University Grants Commission (UGC) to be placed in different parts of the colleges/institutes, in front of the administration building and each hostel of the institute.

V. The Council invited the attention of all the medical colleges/institutes to UGC & MCI (Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges/Institutions) Regulations, 2009 under clause 6.1.4 & 6.1.5 to make it compulsory for each student and every parent to submit an online undertaking every academic year.

VI. To further broaden the definition of ragging and the scope of the application of the "Prevention and Prohibition of Ragging in Medical Colleges/Institutions) Regulations, 2009", the same have been amended recently on 23.03.2016.